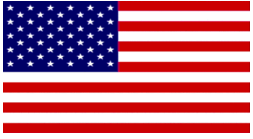
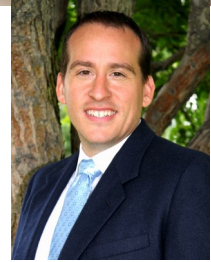


July
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Alaska Veterans and Pioneers Home

From our Administrator



Joshua Shaver

Celebrating a milestone:



50 Vets!

Since becoming a State Veterans Home in 2006, the facility has gradually increased our veteran residents numbering in the teens to today, we are now serving **50 Veteran residents** at one time (65% of all residents). Mary McConnell, A'lise Bruns, former and present staff, all have contributed to this great milestone.

We consider it an honor to serve those who have served our country!



Activities

- **July 2 @ 1:30pm**
Dog agility demonstration
- **July 4 @ 12:00**
4th of July BBQ and outdoor picnic, courtesy of Palmer Lions Club
- **July 7 @ 9:30**
Fishing Trip & Picnic Eklutna Tail Race
- **July 9 @ 10:00am**
Palmer Arts Council summer band
- **July 14 @ 9:30**
Trip to see Engine #557 restoration
- **July 15 @ 5:00**
Festive Meal with entertainment by "Ziggy and Friends"
- **July 30 @ 1:15**
Trip to American Legion Post #35



The Alaska Youth Military Academy came and volunteered their service doing yard work one Saturday this Spring.



Lisa Murkowski came to AVPH and visited with our residents on Memorial Day.

Residents attended a meet and greet with Governor Walker at the opening of the Governor's Valley office in May.



In honor of Memorial Day, the Merchant Marines provided a Merchant Marine and all Veterans Luncheon on May 28.



Every last Thursday of the month, our residents are invited to the American Legion Post #35 in Wasilla for music, food and socializing.



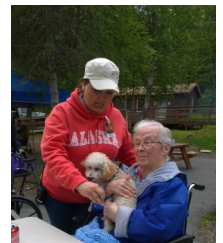
Beta Sigma Phi hosted a social for our residents on May 30.



Residents Jack Straayer, Stan Coleman, Ed Willis, Leonard Nugen and Norman Bean were in the Colony Days' Parade with The Last Frontier Honor Flight Group.



The 80th anniversary of the colonists coming to Alaska was celebrated in Palmer with many activities including a parade that many residents enjoyed as it passed right in front of our home.

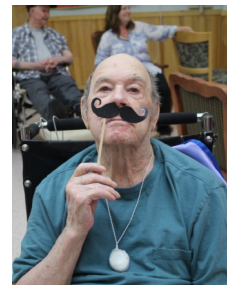


Residents were joined by our Sister Home, the Anchorage Pioneer Home, for a fun day at Beach Lake. The picnic lunch was delicious, S'mores by the fire were enjoyed and the weather even cooperated.





A trip to the Alaska State Trooper Museum in Anchorage and lunch at the 5th Avenue Mall made for a very enjoyable day.



A night of good food, music, dancing and laughter was had by all at the June Festive Meal.



Happy Birthday



July Birthdays



Residents

7/01 Elsie Hill

7/04 Robert Davis

7/07 Anna Davis

7/11 Bill Shannon

7/12 Maryan Selle

7/21 Al Roig

Employees

7/11 Melody Johnson

7/13 Jacquelyn Menchaca

7/14 Carol Meinen

7/16 Hiromi Brown

7/17 Aiyang Sun

7/19 Erica Eichorst

7/19 Angelina Hoffman

7/21 Mary K. Reindl

7/24 Toni Fassino

7/28 Jennifer Guerrero

7/31 John Graber

